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Bo WANG ) Group Art Unit: 1742  
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Filed: March 17, 2004 )  
For: A MERCURY ABSORBENT ) Confirmation No.: 9491  
COMPOSITION, PROCESS OF )  
MAKING SAME AND METHOD OF )  
SEPARATING MERCURY FROM )  
FLUIDS )

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.

Copies of the U.S. patent and application publications are not enclosed. A copy of the PCT International Search report for the corresponding PCT application has been attached for the Examiner's consideration.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached PTO Form SB/08.

With respect to the cited non-English language documents, Applicant submits the following remarks:

1. **JP 56 049786:** An English language abstract of this foreign language document can be found in the Derwent Abstract, copy submitted herewith.
2. **JP 05 212241:** An English language abstract of this foreign language document can be found in the Derwent Abstract, copy submitted herewith.

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